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" J. JOHNSON.....Littleton, N. C.
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" A. BURGESS.....Arcola, N. C.
" B. SNOW.....Littleton, N. C.
" DANIEL MARTIN, Aurelian Springs, N. C.

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Bro. NAT. NICHOLSON,
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" DAVID DANIEL,
" J. H. WILLIAMS,
" NED ALSTON,
" JOSEPH PERRY,
" ROBERT JONES,
" BEN WILLIAMS,
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" D. J. CLACK,
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" H. B. ALSTON,
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" A. BURGESS,
" J. SILLS,
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Bro. E. L. BURT.

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Bro. BERRY DRAWHORN,
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" RANDALL YATES,
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" CARY BUNN,
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" THOMAS COPPEDGE,
" J. R. RUFFIN,
" LUE ASHE,
" ALONZO DAVIS.

PROCEEDINGS.

WALNUT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH,
TUESDAY, August 27th, 1882.

The Association was called to order at half after eight o'clock by the President, Rev. John Mayes. Opened by singing hymn 655. Read the 10th chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans. Rev. J. H. Burgess leads in prayer, after which sang hymn 568.

The Association was then deemed ready for business.

On motion, a committee of five was appointed on time to meet and adjourn. The Chair appointed as follows: Bros. N. V. Davis, Arch Bowden, G. L. Buffaloe, J. H. Williams, and Robert Jones.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed on Religious Exercises, as follows: Bros. M. C. Wright, E. L. Burt, and Rev. Blake Snow.

On motion, a committee of five was appointed on Finance and Letters, as follows: Rev. J. H. Burgess, Rev. L. Brown, and Bro. William Boyd, Bro. William Jenkins, and Bro. Wilson Lyon.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Time of Meeting and Adjourning was read, as follows:

We, your committee, beg leave to report as follows: Meet at 8½ o'clock a. m., adjourn at 12 m.; meet at 2 p. m., adjourn at 5 p. m.; meet at 8 at night, and adjourn at pleasure. Adopted.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Religious Exercises was read and adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Religious Exercises, beg leave to report: Revs. H. Lynch and J. H. Williams to preach at the arbor at 3 o'clock p. m.; Revs. J. Mayes, and H. B. Alston, alternate, to preach the introductory sermon to-night at 8 o'clock; Bro. Anderson Williams and Bro. Cofer Richardson to conduct sun-rise prayer meeting to-morrow morning. Respectfully submitted,

M. C. WRIGHT,
B. SNOW,
E. L. BURT,
Committee.

The hour having arrived to adjourn, Rev. C. Johnson led in prayer. Benediction by the President.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 2 o'clock by the President, Rev. J. Mayes. Sang hymn 987. Read 1st chapter of Psalms. After which prayer was offered by Bro. B. K. Sykes. Sang hymn 623.

The house was pronounced ready for business.

On motion, visiting brethren were invited to seats with us.

On motion, the proceedings of the morning session were read and adopted.

On motion, the roll of Ordained Ministers and Licentiates was called, and their names enrolled.

On motion, a committee of seven was appointed on Grievances, as follows: Revs. C. Johnson, H. B. Alston, H. Lynch, and Bros. M. T. Batchelor, Robt. Jones, Anderson Williams and Randall Yates.

On motion, a committee of five was appointed on Education, the Chair appointing Revs. O. B. Alston, E. H. Ward, J. Johnson, H. Lynch, and Bro. M. C. Wright.

On motion, a Marshal was appointed to keep order, the Chair appointing Bro. James Neal.

On motion, a committee of five was appointed on Sunday School Work.

A motion to hear the report of the Treasurer, was adopted. (The report will be found elsewhere in these minutes.)

It was moved that the report of the Missionary be heard through the Committee on Finance and Letters.

The hour having arrived, we adjourned, with prayer by Rev. B. Snow. Benediction by the Chair.

Night Service.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. Mayes. Sang hymn 507. Read 1st chapter of St. John. Prayer was offered by Bro. W. H. Taylor. Text: John 8: 6. After which, Rev. O. B. Alston leads in prayer. Then sang hymn 390.

The sermon was truly interesting and greatly enjoyed by the large audience in attendance.

MORNING SESSION.

Wednesday, August 28th, 1882.

The Association was called to order at 8½ a. m. by the President, Rev. John Mayes. Sang hymn 791. Read the 27th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. Johnson. Sang hymn 505.

The house was considered ready for business.

On motion, the proceedings of the afternoon session were read, corrected, and adopted.

On motion, Bro. William Jenkins was relieved from the Committee on Finance and Letters, and Rev. A. Burgess added in his stead.

On motion, Bro. Nick Taylor's name was stricken from the roll of Licentiates; and we also withdrew our hand of fellowship from the said brother, and advised the Morning Star Church to do the same, for his disorderly walk.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Religious Exercises was read as follows:

We, your Committee on Religious Exercises, beg leave to report as follows: Rev. C. B. Gibbs, Bro. Daniel Martin, alternate, to preach at the arbor at 11½ a. m., and Rev. J. H. Burgess and Bro. Virgil Harper to preach at the arbor at 2½ p. m. The Missionary sermon to be preached to-night at 8 o'clock by Rev. L. Brown, Rev. J. Johnson, alternate. Sun-rise prayer meeting to be conducted by Bros. William Jenkins and William Sledge. Respectfully submitted,

M. C. Wright,
B. Snow,
E. L. Burt,
Committee.

On motion, Bro. W. H. Taylor's name was stricken from the committee on which he was appointed, and the name of Bro. Daniel Martin inserted in lieu thereof.

On motion, a committee of five was appointed to nominate officers for this Association, as follows: Revs. L. Brown, E. H. Ward, and Bros. N. V. Davis, Corden Alocus and John Wilkins.

On motion, the President and Vice President were nominated at once, and their election to take place this afternoon.

On motion, a committee of seven was appointed on Time and Place, consisting of Rev. O. B. Alston and Bros. Sam Cooper, Stanly Hunter, M. C. Wright, Richard Nicholson, Lewis Harris and A. B. Harris.

The hour having arrived, prayer was offered by Bro. Perry Drawhorn, and the Association adjourned. Benediction by the President.

Afternoon Session.

The Association was called to order at 2 p. m. by the President, Rev. J. Mayes. Sang hymn 938. Read the 10th chapter of Matthew. Prayer was offered by Bro. Lewis Ashe, after which sang hymn 653, and the house was pronounced ready for business.

On motion, the proceedings of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion, the report of the Committee on the Nomination of Officers was read, as follows:

We, your Committee on Officers, beg leave to report our nominations as follows: Bro. Elijah Burt for Treasurer, Bro. A. H. Jones for Recording Secretary, Bro. G. W. Buffaloe for Corresponding Secretary, Rev. L. Brown for Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. Ward,
L. Brown,
Corden Alocus,
Jno. Wilkins,
Committee.

The report was, on motion, received and adopted.

On motion, the names of the following brethren were put in nomination for President: Revs. L. Brown, J. Mayes and O. B. Alston. For Vice President: Revs. J. Johnson, E. H. Ward and H. B. Alston.

On motion, Rev. C. Johnson was called to the chair during the election. The election was *viva voce*, resulting in the choice of Rev. J. Mayes for President, and Rev. H. B. Alston for Vice President.

On motion, the Presidents were conducted to their seats.

On motion, Rev. O. B. Alston was appointed messenger to the Baptist State Convention.

On motion, Rev. C. B. Gibbs was also appointed messenger to the Baptist State Convention.

On motion, the report of the Missionary was read, received and adopted.

On motion, Rev. E. H. Ward was added to the Committee on Grievances in lieu of Rev. H. B. Alston.

It was moved that the Missionary be made a compliment of five dollars. Adopted.

On motion, a Ministerial Board was appointed consisting of nine.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Sunday School Work was read, received and adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that 500 hundred copies of the minutes of this Association be printed.

The hour for adjournment having arrived, Rev. Virgil Devereux leads

in prayer. Sang hymn in Baptist hymn book. Benediction by the President.

Night Service.

The Missionary sermon was preached by Rev. J. Johnson, Rev. B. Snow, alternate.

The Association was called to order at 8 o'clock p. m. by the President, Rev. J. Mayes. Sang hymn 800, "Go preach my gospel, says the Lord." Read the 1st chapter of St. Mark. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. H. Burgess. Sang hymn 805. Text: Hebrews 7 : 2. Sang a hymn and took a collection for Assoc ational purposes amounting to $2.50. The sermon was enjoyed by the audience. Sang a hymn, and adjourned.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, August 29th, 1882.

The Association was called to order at 8½ a. m. by the President, Rev. John Mayes. Opened by singing hymn 547. Read the 10th of Revela tions. Bro. M. C. Wright leads in prayer, after which sang hymn 703.

The house was considered ready for business.

On motion, the proceedings of the afternoon session were read, received, and adopted in their corrected form.

On motion, it was agreed that the tax remain as it is required in the Constitution, Article 6.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Time and Place was read, as follows;

We, your Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to report as follows: That the Fifth Annual Session of Reedy Creek Missionary Baptist Association be held with the First Baptist Church of Battleboro, Tuesday after the fourth Lord's day in August, 1883.

Respectfully submitted,

O. B. Alston
Sam Cooper,
Stanly Hunter,
M. C. Wright,
Rich'd Nicholson,
Lewis Harris,
A. B. Harris,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and adopted, and the committee discharged.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to select ministers to preach the special sermons at the next Association, viz.: Rev P. Alston, and Bros. J. H. Williams and A. R. Davis.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Grievances was adopted.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Religious Exercises was read as follows:

We, your Committee on Religious Exercises, beg leave to report as follows: Rev. E. H. Ward to preach at the arbor at 2½ o'clock p. m.,

Rev. M. T. Batchelor, alternate. Rev O. B. Alston to preach the Doctrinal sermon to-night at 8 o'clock, Rev. J. Sills, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. WRIGHT,
B. SNOW,
E. L. BURT,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

The hour having arrived for adjournment, prayer was offered by Bro. R. Nicholson. Benediction by the President.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 2 p, m. by the President, Rev. J. Mays. Sang hymn on page 623. Read the 23rd Psalm. Prayer was offered by Bro. M. T. Batchelor. Sang hymn 837.

The house was considered ready for business.

On motion, the proceedings of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Religious Exercises was read, as follows:

We, your Committee on Religious Exercises, beg leave to report as follows: That Rev. Virgil Devereux preach at the arbor at 11½ o'clock a. m., Rev. Burgess Harper, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. WRIGHT,
B. SNOW,
E. L. BURT,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and the committee discharged.

On motion, the Ministerial Board retired to settle a difficulty concerning the Enfield Church and pastor.

A motion to hear the report of the Committee on Special Sermons was adopted.

Moved to hear a resolution offered by Rev. O. H. Alston. The resolution was received and adopted.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Temperance was read as follows:

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report as follows: Whereas, intemperance is one of the evils that debar our progress as a christian family, and as a people, unless we are guarded against its direful effects; we, therefore,

Resolve, that this Association make the impression among its churches of the necessity of totally abstaining from all intoxicating liquors as a beverage. May God help us so to do.

Respectfully submitted,

H. HARPER,
J. SILLS,
D. POWELL,
Committee.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered to the brethren and sisters and neighborhood at large, of Walnut Grove church, for their kind hospitality.

On motion, agreed that the special sermons be preached at 11 o'clock a. m., and at 8 p. m.

On motion, the letters from new churches were read.

On motion, Quanky and Pine Grove churches were received into this Association.

On motion, the report the Committee on Sunday School Work was read, received and adopted :

We resolve first, that every Sunday School shall have an educational sermon preached quarterly for the benefit of the school, as brother G. L. Buffaloe is appointed working committee by the Baptist State Convention to attend all Sunday Schools.

On motion, the petition of the Pine Grove church, asking the Association to ordain Bro. Daniel Martin, was read.

The hour having arrived, we adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock to-night. Benediction by the Chair.

Night Session.

The Association was called to order at 8 o'clock p. m by the President, Rev. J. Mayes. Sang hymn 397. Read the 15th chapter of St. Luke. Bro. William Jenkins leads in prayer. Sang hymn 782.

The house was now considered ready for business.

On motion, the proceedings of the afternoon session were read and approved.

On motion, the power of appointing ministers to preach special sermons was reconsidered, and left to the discretion of the Ministerial Board.

On motion, the decision of the Board concerning the troubles of the Enfield church was read.

On motion, Rev. C. B. Gibbs was forgiven.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to write a letter to the Enfield church, stating Rev. C. B. Gibbs' confession unto us, and his promise unto them.

A motion for the first sitting of the Ministerial Board to convene with the St. Chapel Baptist Church, Wednesday before the 4th Lord's day in September, 1882, was adopted.

On motion of Bro. G, L. Buffaloe, the time was extended half an hour.

A motion was adopted empowering the Chair to appoint five Elders as delegates to the Shiloh Board, their object being to consult about the Institute.

On motion, Bro. Bunn's name was erased from the roll of Licentiates.

The Chair appoints Revs. L. Brown, O. B. Alston, J. Mayes, J. Johnson and P. Alston as delegates to the Shiloh Board.

On motion, the Treasurer received $14.16 due him by this Association.

On motion, the messengers to the Baptist State Convention were made a compliment of $6.50 each.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Ordination was read :

We, your Committee on Ordination, beg leave to report as follows : After a careful examination of Bro. Daniel Martin, we do hereby recommend his ordination. Respectfully submitted,

J. Johnson,
W. H. Taylor,
O. B. Alston,
M. C. Wright,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and the committee discharged.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to write a letter to Shady Grove church, stating to her that this Association retains her fellowship.

A motion for the appointment of two delegates to the Neuse River Association being adopted, the Chair appoints Revs. E. H. Ward and J. Sills.

On motion, all unfinished business was transferred to the Board.

The time having arrived for preaching, business was suspended.

Sang hymn 800. Read the 1st chapter of John. Rev. E. H. Ward led in prayer. Sang hymn in the Baptist Supplement, after which the Doctrinal sermon was delivered by Rev. O. B. Alston from Timothy 2 : 2. The sermon was enjoyed by the congregation.

Rev. L. Brown sang a hymn, and the Association adjourned.

STATISTICAL AND

NAMES OF CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	PASTORS.	Pastor's Salary.
Oak Grove.....	A. H. Jones.....	Littleton.....	L. Brown....	$100 00
Battleboro	Burt Battle.....	Battleboro.....	O. B. Alston	100 00
Pleasant Hill.....	Sandy Davis.....	Ransom's Bridge	H. B. Alston	25 00
Piney Grove	Osborne Toney.	Aurelian Springs	D. Martin...	48 00
Locust Grove.....	R. H. Robinson.	Warren Plains...	J. Mayes.....	75 00
Pine Chapel.....	J. H. Copelin.....	Arcola	H. B. Alston	60 00
Hickory Grove....	Stellar O'Day....	Cedar Rock.....	J. Johnson ..	.....
Mark's Chapel...	S. W. Vicks..	Battleboro.....	J. Sills.....	20 00
Enon	Robert Roberson	Littleton.....	J. Mayes	42 00
Wilson	Frederick Davis.	Wilson.....	E. H Ward.	.....
Cedar Rock.....	Hubbard Davis...	Franklinton	P. Alston....	.....
Shady Grove.....	Simon Gary.....	Crowell's X R'ds	V. Devereux	.....
Morning Star.....	G. W. Hunter....	Battleboro.....	C. B. Gibbs.	50 00
Mt. Calvary.....	Rich'd Williams.	Enfield.....	C. B. Gibbs.	60 00
Ivory Hill.....	William Daniel..	Brinkleyville	T. D. Daniel	.....
Olive Grove.....	Alex. Wright.....	Littleton	J. Mayes.....	60 00
Enfield	Albert Jones.....	Enfield	J. Mayes.....	.....
Fishing Creek....	A. R. Davis.....	Mountain View.	M. Pitchford	15 00
Union Hill.....	B. B. Batchelor..	Nashville.....	J. H Burgess	75 00
St. Hope.....	E. H. Ward	Wilson.....	E. H. Ward.	.....
Ashley Grove.....	Jesse L. Pugh ...	Littleton	L. Brown....	8 50
New Bethel.....	F. A. Towns.....	Oakville.....	J. Mayes.....	60 00
Sandy Falk.....	John Wilkins.....	Toisnot	O B. Alston	63 00
Mt. Olive.....	A. B. Kearney...	Littleton.....	I. Moore.....	.....
Lovely Hill.....	Abram Powell...	Mountain View..	L. Brown....	75 00
Social Union.....	J. H. Arrington..	Hilliardston.....	P. Alston....	.....
Pine Grove.....	A. L. Bryant.....	Nashville.....	A. B. Harris	10 00
St. Chapel.....	M. I. White.....	Enfield.....	F. W. Wilkin	.....
Walnut Grove...	Nick Davis.....	Mapleville.....	James Ash...	100 00
Quanky	Albert Jackson..	Weldon	Dan'l Martn	20 00
Peter's Rock.....	J. H. Hockaday..	Gaston.....	J. H. Cousin	.....
Mayoe's Grove....	.....	.....	.....	.....

FINANCIAL TABLE.

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There were no contributions reported by the churches for State Missions.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report:

Cash on hand to-day	$68 03
Paid E. L. Burt (money due)	14 16
Made Recording Secretary compliment	3 00
" Corresponding Secretary compliment	2 00
" Missionary "	5 00
" Auditor "	2 00
" Messengers "	13 00
Donated Foreign Missions	1 17
Paid the Marshal	2 00
The following were moneys loaned, to be paid at the first sitting of the Board:	
To G. L. Buffaloe (received)	2 00
" Rev. B. Snow (due)	90
" Randall Yates (received)	1 50
" M. T. Batchelor (received)	1 00
" J. R. Ruffin (due)	2 00
" Rev. A. Burgess (received)	1 00
" D. R. Williams (due)	1 50
" Dawson Powell (due)	1 50
" Berry Drawhorn (due)	2 00
" A. H. Jones (due)	1 00
" Haywood Whitaker (due)	50
" G. W. Gibbs (due)	75

REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

I, your Missionary, beg leave to report: Whereas, I was placed on mission work Monday after the first Lord's day in November, 1881; have made very slow progress in the work; have only baptized 11 candidates, travelled 1,100 miles, and taken up collections to the amount of $7.50. My expenses $75.00. I have five congregational places to preach at besides my regular church. Have not organized any new church as yet.

I am yours for Christ,

J. SILLS.

RESOLUTION ON EDUCATION.

We beg leave to offer the following resolution for adoption: Seeing the necessity of education, be it

Resolved, That ordained Elders of this Association shall pay $5 to the cause of getting up a school in the bounds of this Association for the welfare of the same, Licentiates to pay $1, and delegates to the Association 50 cents; the above to be paid at the convening of the Association.

We are yours for the cause,

O. B. ALSTON,
B. K. SYKES,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Resolved 1*st*, That all the different churches of this Association that keep up a regular Sunday School, shall have a missionary sermon preached once in three months for the benefit of the school; also, to impress the missionary work upon the minds of the scholars.

Resolved 2*d*, That we advise the pastors and deacons of all the different churches to do all they can to encourage the Sunday Schools in their vicinity, believing it is one of the principal means in promoting the cause of Christ. We furthermore advise pastors to instruct their superintendents to apply to Rev. C. Johnson, of Raleigh, for any books they may need. We are yours for the cause,

L. BROWN,
G. L. BUFFALOE,
D. R WILLIAMS,
W. WOODARD,
Committee.

RESOLUTION ON MINISTERIAL CHARACTER.

Resolved, That whereas ministers should be blameless and of good report, eschewing everything tending to bring the cause to ignominy and shame, we therefore recommend that no minister be recognized by members of this Association who is not in good standing in the church to which he belongs. We furthermore recommend that no church of this Association should license any one for the ministry who is not of good report, and who does not hold the creed and doctrine of the Missionary Baptists. Yours for Christ,

O. B. ALSTON.

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THE MINISTERIAL BOARD

Convened to-day, October 10th, 1882, with the St. Chapel Baptist Church of Halifax county.

Rev. O. B. Alston, Moderator, opened by singing hymn 653. Read the 23rd Psalm. Rev. H. B. Alston leads in prayer, after which sing a hymn in the Baptist Hymn Book.

The house was then pronounced ready for business.

On motion, the roll of the Board was called.

On motion, visiting brethren were invited to participate with us in our work

On motion, the proceedings of the Association were read and approved.

On motion, adjourned for the space of 30 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The house was called to order at the time designated. Opened by singing hymn 447. Read 19th Psalm. Rev. J. Johnson leads in prayer. Sang hymn 627.

The house was pronounced ready for business.

On motion, a committee of two was appointed to ask Rev. C. B. Gibbs some questions concerning this Association. The Chair appointed Rev. J. H. Burgess and Rev. H. B. Alston.

A motion to hear the report of the committee was adopted, and they reported as follows:

We, your committee, beg leave to report that Rev. C. B. Gibbs has declared himself a member of the Reedy Creek Missionary Baptist Association, and a messenger to the B. S. Convention.

This is to certify that the following named brethren have faithfully

promised to donate, for the purpose of printing the minutes, the following amounts :

Rev. O. B. Alston	$5 00
" L. Brown	5 00
" H. B. Alston	5 00
" A. Burgess	2 50
" J. Sills	5 00
" J. Johnson	5 00
Bro. C. C. Peters	1 00
" N. Nicholson	1 00
Rev. J. H. Burgess	3 00
Bro. M. T. Batchelor	1 50

Rev. Thomas Daniel promises what he can.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet with the Union B. C., Wednesday after the 2d Lord's day in February, 1883.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the REEDY CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall have a President and Vice President, who shall be elected by ballot at each annual meeting of the body, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor, who shall be elected by acclamation at each annual meeting.

ART. 2. This Association shall be composed of pastors and messengers sent from the different churches, who shall be entitled to seats in this Association.

ART. 3. Letters received by this Association from different churches, shall give the total members in fellowship, those baptized, those received by letter, those dismissed by letter, those excommunicated, those deceased and the number of Sunday School scholars since the last meeting of the body; also, the amount of money raised during the year.

ART. 4. The members chosen to discharge these duties shall have no power over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches of this Association.

ART. 5. Churches may be received in this Association which shall make application by letter or messengers, Upon examination, if found in gospel order, it shall be the duty of the President to extend the right hand of fellowship to the messengers, and welcome the church into this Association.

ART. 6. Any church of the same faith and order may be entitled to representation in this Association, and may not send more than two messengers from each church. Each church must send two and a half cents (2½) per head on each member.

ART. 7. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association, whether it shall be debated or not.

ART. 8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of the Association. The best method of furnishing the minutes shall be left to the Association.

ART. 9. We believe it necessary to have an Associational fund to pay the expenses of the Association, therefore each church belonging to this Association is requested to pay the amount designated by the Association during its session.

ART. 10. The minutes of the previous session may be read and corrected, if necessary. The Association shall have power to enquire why any church does not, at any time of the sitting, represent themselves in the Association.

ART. 11. The Association will not fellowship any church which may violate the rules of the Association or the principles of religion.

ART. 12. This Association do advise each church to license such brethren only as are competent to preach the gospel; also ordain such brethren only as possess full qualifications to preach the gospel of Christ.

ART. 13. The Association shall appoint a Ministerial Board, consisting of nine members, whose duty shall be to receive applications for ordination and ordain the same, if found worthy, and do any other work in gospel order.

ART. 14. This Association shall appoint a missionary, whose duty it shall be to labor in destitute places, and collect what he can on the field for his services.

ART. 15. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration by a two-thirds vote of the Association only.

ART. 16. We adopt Hiscox's Directory for our guide in the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at the same time; and any one wishing to speak, shall arise and address the Moderator by the term *brother*.

3rd. The person speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he is out of order.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject under consideration, and shall in no wise reflect on the brother who had preceded him, but shall firmly and courteously state the case so as to give his views.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself without obtaining leave from the Association.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No brother shall be at liberty to whisper during the time a brother is speaking.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this Association.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Secretary, and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may give his views upon any subject before putting it to a vote, but he is not entitled to vote except in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who knowingly breaks any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as the members may think proper.